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From the President's Quill

June 22, 2009

Dear Members,

July Meeting is July 1, 2009

The family and I just returned from NMLRA matches at Friendship – saw some members there. Many of the participants at the shoot are looking forward to coming to our Fair. Like our fair can be, it was unbelievably hot several days, I guess just conditioning us for the coming summer. It points out that we have to be careful with our activities and watch ourselves and those around us when it is extremely warm, and that certainly applies to all our activities at the park.

The new Clark County Park District Website is up and can be viewed at <http://www.clarkcountyparkdistrict.org/>. Kristin Shultz has done a beautiful job and should be congratulated. Also, she is looking for nice photos of the park taken during different seasons. Contact her through that website if you have some free photos that might be usable.

Pick up Fair brochures at the general meeting, July 1. Lets get these out. Also for the July meeting, back by popular demand, we should have a new power point from the Memorial Day parade.

Graphic Enterprises has our new online ad up at their website. To see it, visit <http://www.graphicenterprises.net/index.html>.

July is a busy month for us, both in activities and in preparations for the fair. Please check the accompanying calendar dates and plan accordingly. Hope you are enjoying the summer.

This is the moon of the red cherries, be sure and beat the birds to them,

Pele-ti-nuc-shel-wa, - Rusty

Fair Work Days -

All August weekends. We have five weekends. Every member should be there as often as possible to help. In addition to set up on the field, help is needed sewing, cooking, washing dishes, painting, etc. There is a job for everyone – really. Ask Linda what you can do to help.

Four Dance Practices Left -

Only four more dance practices left to prepare for the Fair: July 14, 28, Aug 11, 25

Rat Droppings From The Fairmaster

We are getting closer to the 27th Fair!! Things are proceeding smoothly with a full field and some on a waiting list. Della Wiedel has volunteered to head children's games and crafts this year. We are going to locate it on the front row which should attract children and their parents as they enter the fair. The wagon ride will begin and end at the point of the fort, which will be a good, wide area for the wagon and people waiting to ride.

New additions to the fair this year include; Bonnie Strassel telling stories of 18th century life and Alexander McKee will be visiting the Indian village.

Rehearsals have started for "She Stoops to Conquer" our play for the fair. Three Clark State students and a Wittenberg student are participating.

Fritz and friends have been out each Wednesday getting the equipment in shape and the ratcatcher has acquired several authentic 18th century rat cages to improve his rat catching abilities. We expect to have a big crowd for education day once again and thanks goes to Ruth Peters and her committee for another job well done. To all, thanks for all you do – it is appreciated.

Wm. L. Smith
Fairmaster

DID YOU MISS THE DEADLINE?

Fair registration deadline is JUNE 1. Fair registration forms are now online. These can be found at www.fairatnewboston.org. Click on "Registration," download the form you need, Sign it, mail it to GRCHA, Box 1251, Springfield, OH 45501. Not mailing heavy registration files will save us lots of postage.

However, if you do not "do" computers, we have no problem sending the registration forms to you by snail mail. Just call 882-9216 and leave a message or write to the above address and the registration file will be sent to you.

SEW... A Needle Pulling Thread...

It is time to get your costumes ready. Sewing Days with Linda Katon and Donna Ward are here!

July 11, July 25 12 noon to 4 p.m.

Sewing **everyday** after August 8th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Coming Events

June 26-July 4	Old Northwest Rendezvous June 26 - July 4 http://www.rendezvousohio.com/Old_Northwest_home.html Good place to shop but be careful to not pick up an item that will not jury 1790 – 1810. The public is invited to visit from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday and Monday,
July meeting	Wednesday, July 1, at 7 p.m. at the Gathering House
July 4	Old Fashioned Fourth of July at GRC Park (Let's support the Friends of the Park)
July 10, 11, 12	Timeline encampment at Waco airfield, Troy, Ohio. (Chance to hand out Fair fliers.)
July 15	July Fair Meeting
July 18-19	NMLRA Youth Shoot Check their website info at http://www.nmlra.org
Aug 1, 2, 8, 9,	FAIR
29, 30	WORK
15, 16, 22, 23,	WEEKENDS
Sep 4	Education Day
Sep 5, 6	Fair at New Boston
Sep 7	Clean-up Day

Keep the **membership renewals** coming in. All memberships now begin and end on Jan. 1. If you can read the newsletter online, please let us know so that we can send it to you via email. Saves GRCHA around a dollar each month and that does add up. Postage went up to 44 cents on 11 May.